WE'RE KIND OF A

B16 DEAL

Charlestown High School

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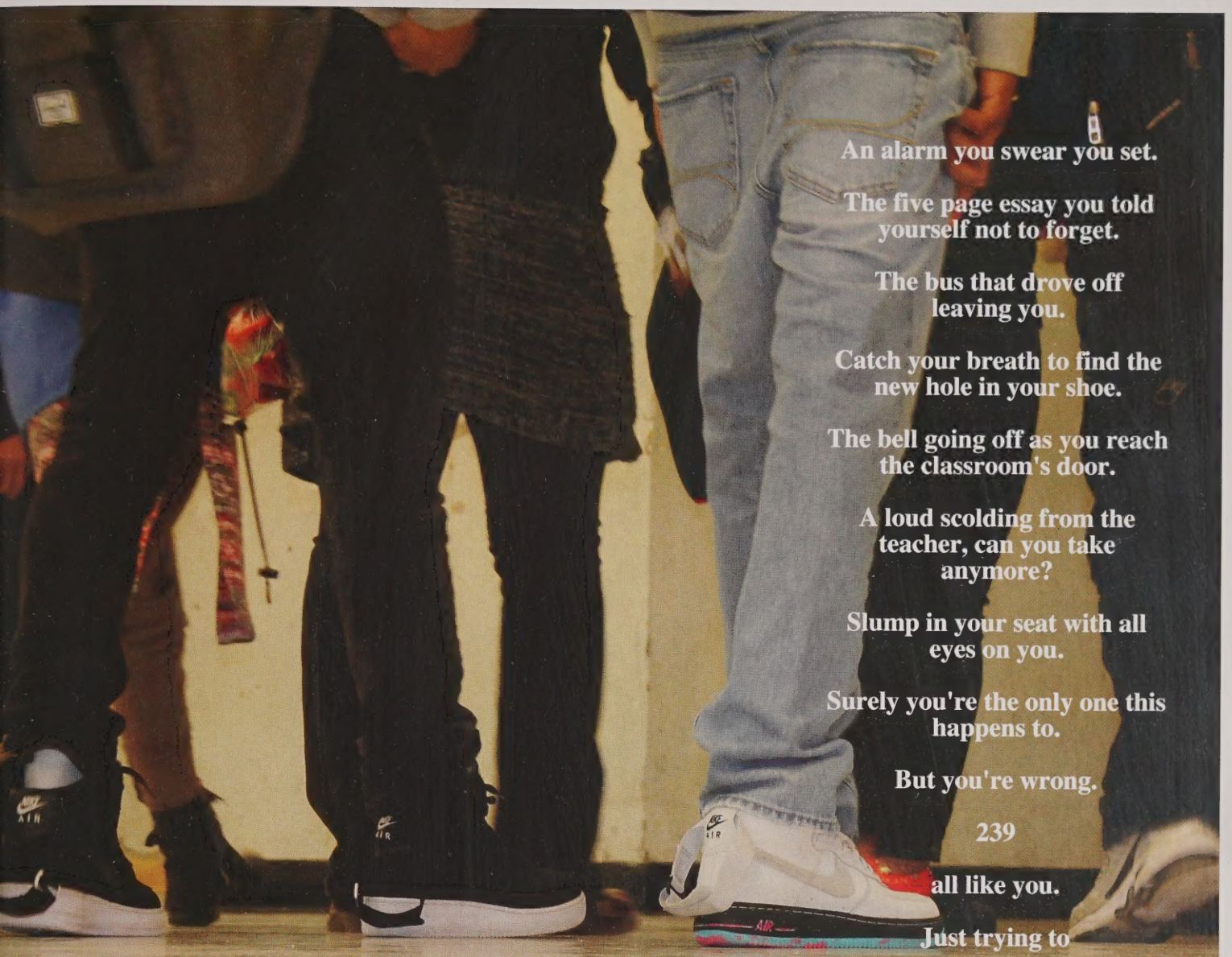

An alarm you swear you set.

The five page essay you told yourself not to forget.

The bus that drove off leaving you.

Catch your breath to find the new hole in your shoe.

The bell going off as you reach the classroom's door.

A loud scolding from the teacher, can you take anymore?

Slump in your seat with all eyes on you.

Surely you're the only one this happens to.

But you're wrong.

239

all like you.

Just trying to

SURVIVE

Forward

The Class of 2016 will always have a special place in my heart. Four years ago, in 201 I became the Principal of Charlestown High School. This was the same year many of you enrolled at CHS as 9th graders. Over the past four years, we've seen each other grow an develop, to the great benefit of our school community. As headmaster, it has been my honor to see you progress from eager, energetic freshmen into seniors, into the students who are the leaders of our school.

You should be proud of yourselves—and excited for the future. The Class of 2016 has so many notable accomplishments, both in the classroom and beyond. For instance, you've made our Boston Debate League Team into a city-wide success and you've shown how hard work pays off. We now have more art, music, and dance in our school, thanks to yo enthusiasm and creativity. Together, you've made CHS into a more vibrant place.

Before you walk across the graduation stage, I hope you take a moment to reflect on all o your accomplishments and to reflect on the journey you've been on for the last four year You've achieved so much here at Charlestown High School. And I've been so proud to s it. Now this journey we've been on together, this journey of the last four years, it is only the beginning. Your future awaits.

- William Thomas, Headmaster

Charlestown High School
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Charlestown, Massachusetts 02129

William Thomas, *Headmaster*
Christophe Teulet-Cote, *Assistant Headmaster*

...long

C H S story

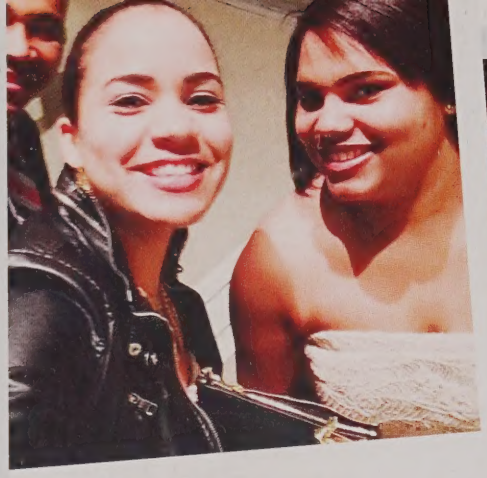
short

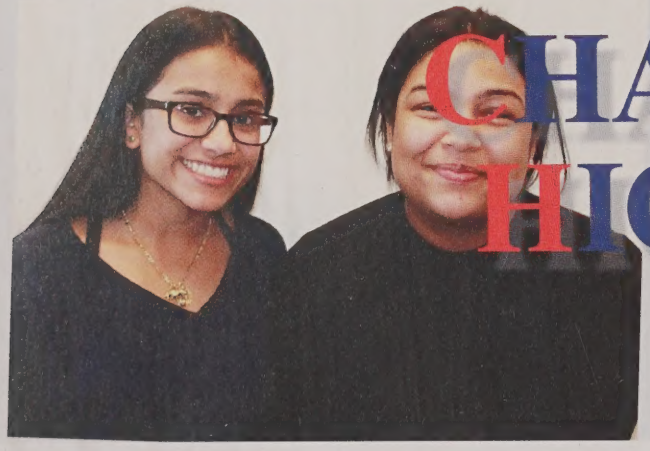
...fooc

"Difference between school and life: School teaches you lessons and then gives you a test. Life gives you a test and you learn the lessons."

or thought

In life we do things. Some we wish we had never done. Some we wish we could replay a million times in our heads. But they all make us who we are. And in the end they shape every detail about us. If we were to reverse any of them we wouldn't be the person we are. **So just live.** Make mistakes. Have wonderful memories. **But never ever second guess who you are.** Where you have been. And most importantly, where it is you are going.





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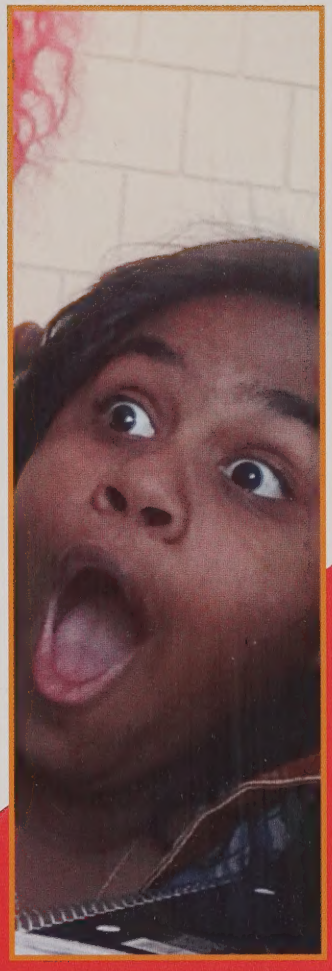
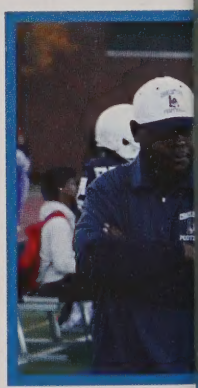


Future leaders

FOOTBALL

HEAD COACH
Dave CahilL
ASSISTANT HEAD COACH
Charles Dean
TEAM CAPTAINS
Abdullah Beckett, Seaon Goodridge
Nathaniel Sayon,
Vaughan Skinner



THE HARDER THE BATTLE
THE SWEETER THE VICTORY
-LES BROWN

TOWNIES TOWNIES -Team is Everything- TOWNIES TOWNIES

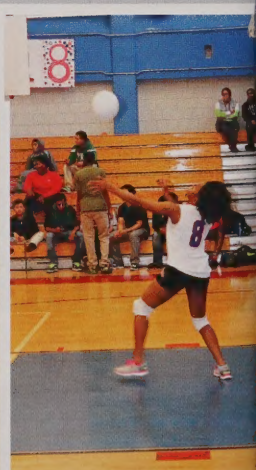
HUSTLE, HIT, NEVER QUIT..

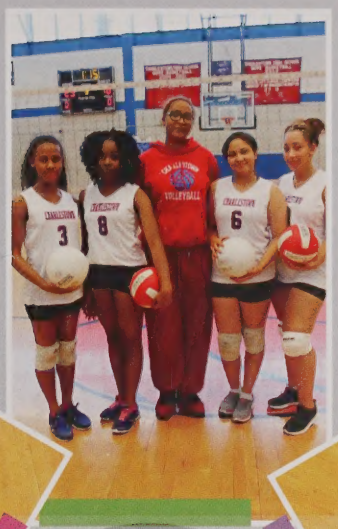
our hearts are
BIGGER
our bonds are
STRONGER
our hits are
HARDER
our traditons
OLDER
but our
weaknesses
FEWER

VOLLEYBALL

GOOD PLAYERS INSPIRE **THEMSELVES** GREAT PLAYERS INSPIRE **OTHERS**

CTOWN PRIDE





TO BE A BETTER VOLLEYBALL PLAYER THAN YOU'VE EVER BEEN. YOU HAVE TO DO SOMETHING YOU'VE NEVER DONE!

- SGreat minds think FIT

GO TEAM

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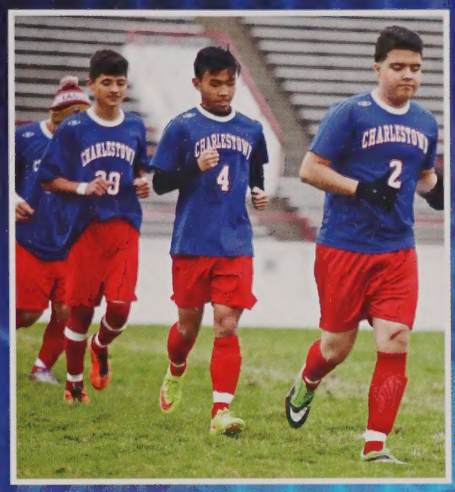
SET SERVE SPIKE

GIRLS SOCCER

DAILY NEWS

Girls soccer started off strong in the 2015 season with more girls coming out to join the team. We had a record 4 wins, which was more than the year before proving that girls soccer is getting stronger over the years. Our seniors will be sorely missed, they kept the character of the team strong. We look forward to seeing all the girls next season to continue to prove that Charlestown Girls Soccer is a successful, fun, and necessary program. Congratulations girls on a season filled with fun memories, triumphs, tribulations and good times. Go C-Town!

BOYS SOCCER



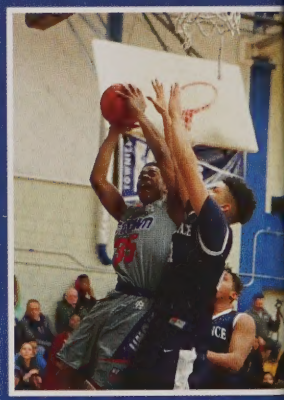
HERE WILL BE OBSTACLES.
THERE WILL BE DOUBTERS.
THERE WILL BE MISTAKES.
BUT WITH HARD WORK
THERE ARE NO
LIMITS.

BOYS BASKETBALL

#TownieNation

BASKETBALL IT'S

NOT JUST A SPORT IT"S A LIFESTYLE!



CTOWN

The 2015-2016 season had many milestones which in result left some long lasting memoires. The team qualified for the City Playoffs and advanced to the second round of State Tournament while capping off a 15-8 record. Kewan Platt scored his 1000th point of his High School career, selected as a 1st Team All-Conference player and chosen as Boston City All-star along with teammates Anicel Pouriet and Randy Pereira. Michael Crittenden Williams received a Sportsmanship Award from the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association and Jonathan Marcel received a full academic scholarship to Providence College. Seniors, Kewan Platt, Jonathan Marcel, Randy Pereira, Andrue Winn, Deron Agypang, Wendell Morris and Anthony Frias were all accepted to their college of choice. The Junior Varsity team had an amazing season finishing with a 16-3 record while the freshman team finished at 8-3. The Charlestown coaching staff would like to thank all the staff and students who came out and supported the team! Congrats to Coach Cardoso for his 100th win!!! Go C-town!!!

GIRLS BASKETBALL

SHE
BELIEVED
SHE COULD
AND
SO SHE DID

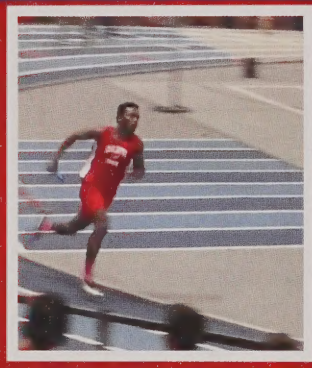
C-TOWN

I CAN ACCEPT FAILURE EVERYONE FAILS AT SOMETHING. BUT I CAN'T ACCEPT NOT TRYING.
- Michael Jordan

There is no glory
In practice,
But without practice,
There is no glory.

TOWNIES

Indoor & Outdoor Track



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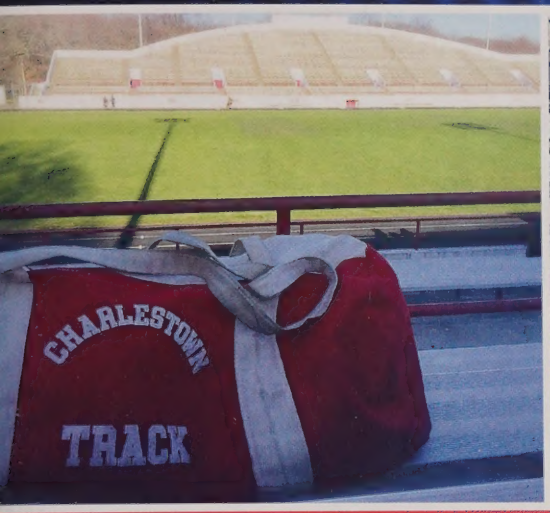
This years Indoor Track team was deep with talent and experience. Even though they opened the season with a tie and a loss, they were able to string together three straight wins beating Westie and rivals Boston Latin Academy, and John D. O' Bryant. CTOWN lost their last meet of the season to East Boston to decide the north conference championship finishing the season with a 3-2-1 record. The Indoor Track team enjoyed their second winning season in a row, and looks to continue that trend for years to come under the guidance of Head Coach Charles Dean.



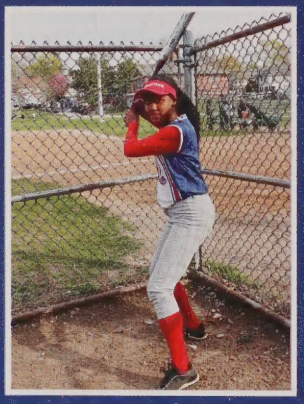
Ability is what you are capable of doing.

Motivation determines what you do.

Attitude determines how well you do it.

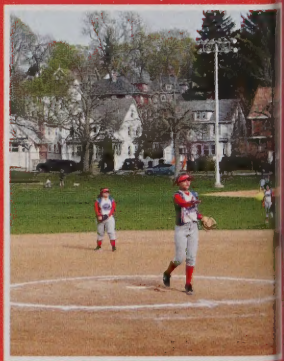
–Lou Holtz

SOFTBALL & BASEBALL



"NEVER LET THE FEAR OF STRIKING OUT GET IN YOUR WAY"

- Babe Ruth



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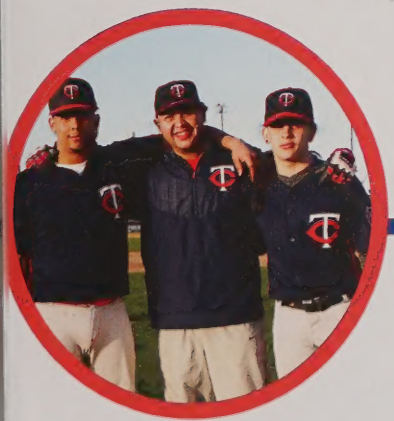
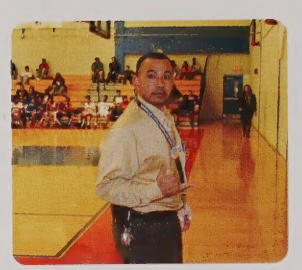


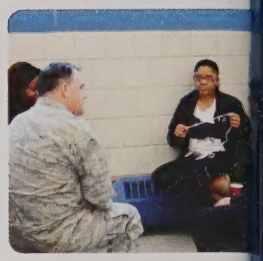
Cheerleading

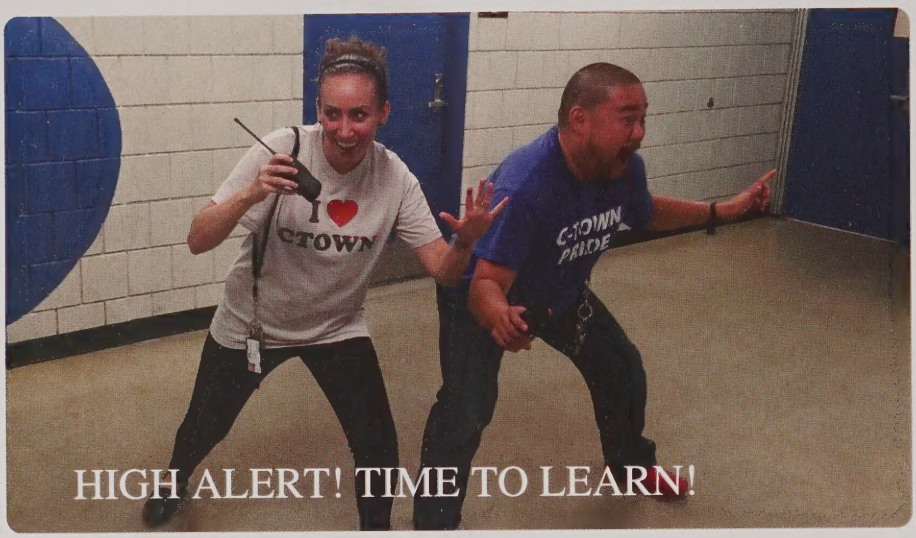
TOWNIES

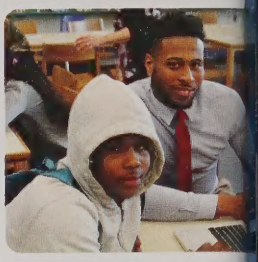
Come rain or shine the Townie Cheer Squad exemplified determination, poise and perfection this season. Led by senior Captains Kelly Akinkuoye, Merline Fleurime and Joshua Rosa this team put together time-out cheers and half-time shows that were truly fantastic! The season culminated in what would have been a first place championship win in the BPS competition but due to judgement error, the team would have to settle for 2nd place - but they will always be first in my heart! - Coach

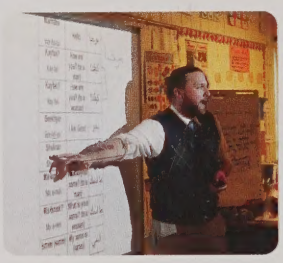
Good times & Good laughs

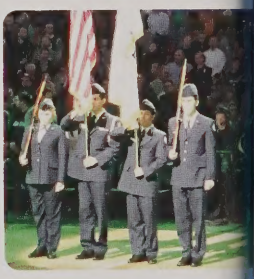


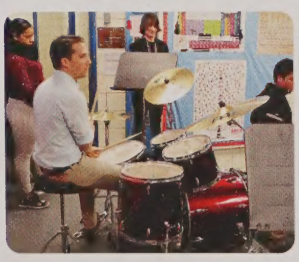


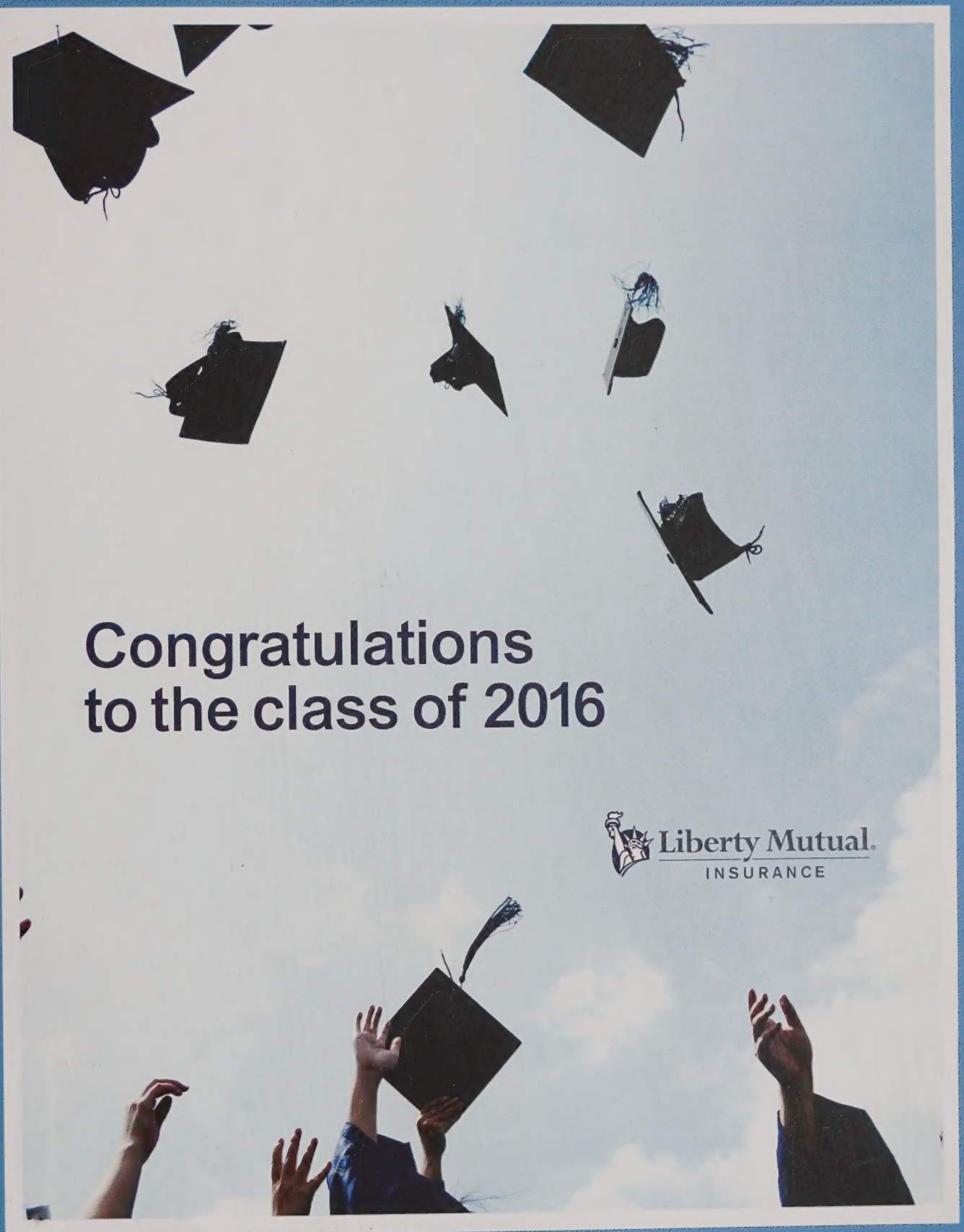








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to the class of 2016
Liberty Mutual
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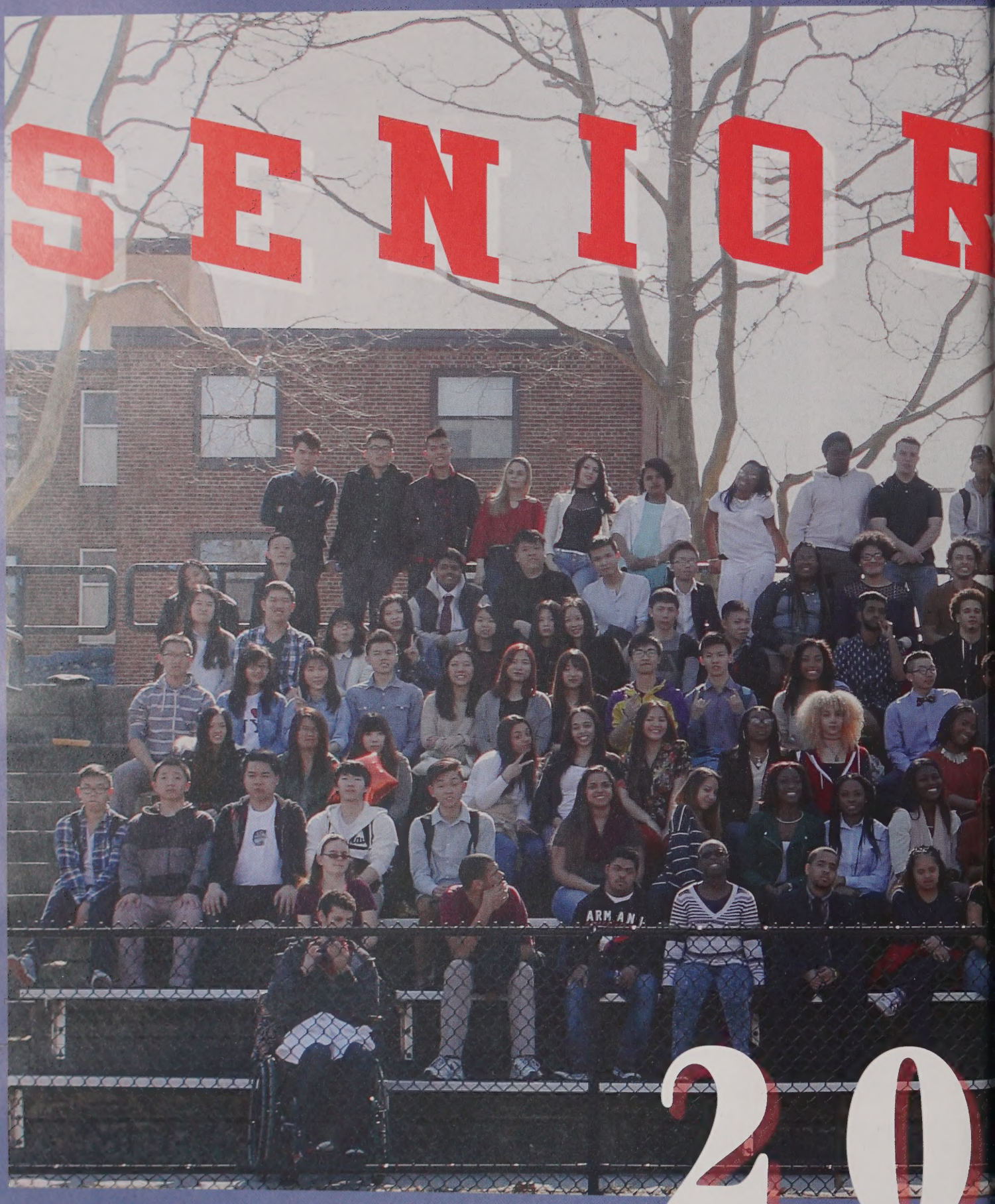
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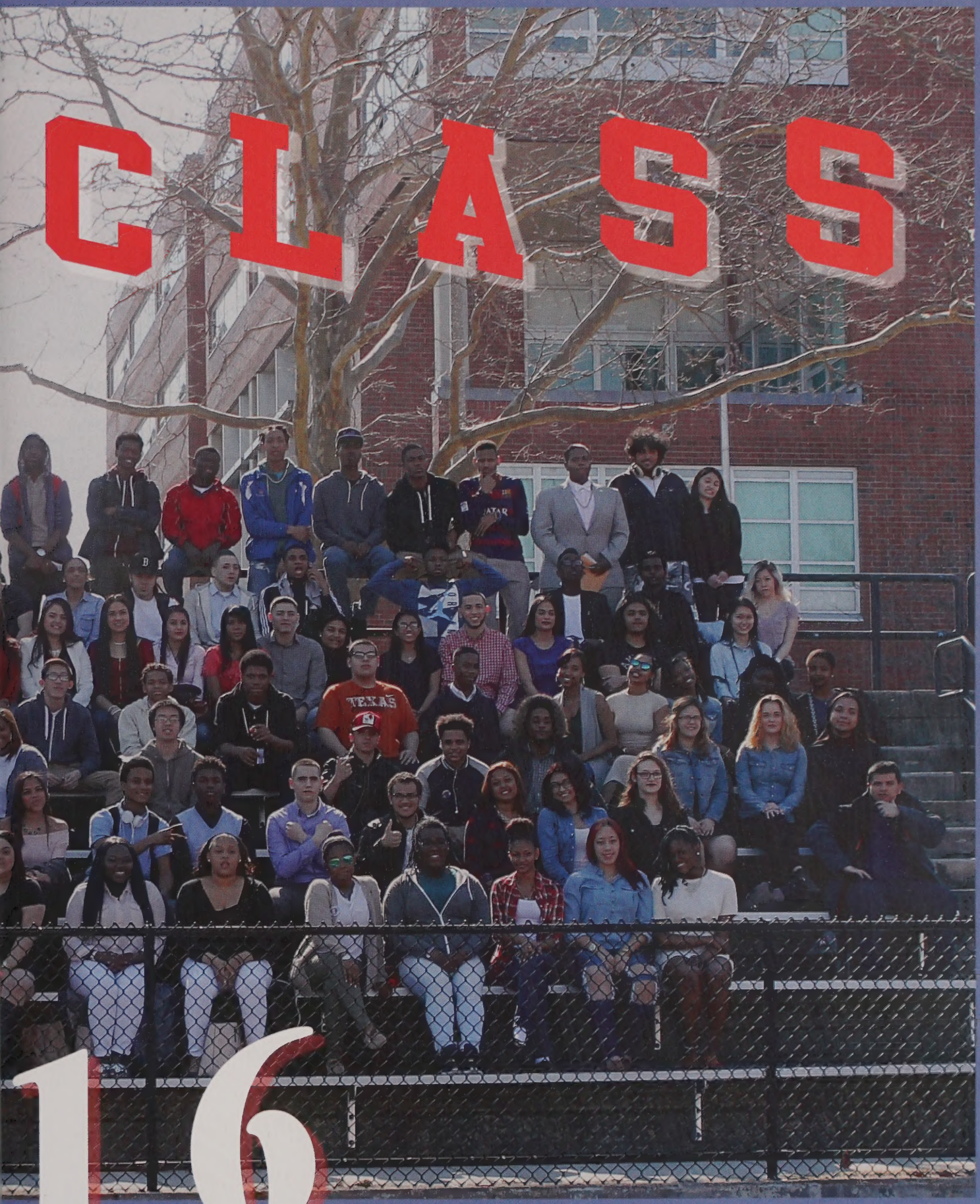
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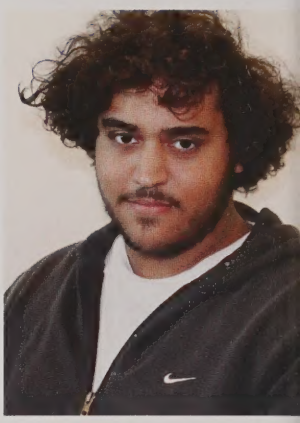
Charlestown High School Seniors

Jenaliz Montanez

Erik Pereyra



Stephany Rodriguez

Regina Baptista

Salvador Baez

Tianny Martinez

Alonzo Foster Jr.

George Dallta

Tiago Desouza

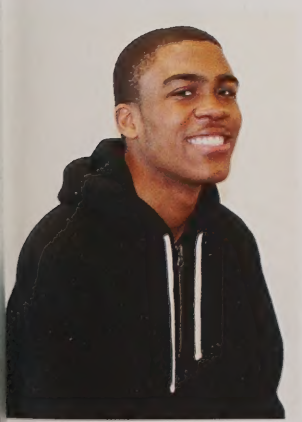
Mohammed Umar

Dannie Brice

Christine Nguyen

Bernard Kong

Evandro Monteiro



Johathan Marcel

Kemberly Batista

Charlestown High School Seniors

Lucas Macedo

Huayan Liang

Timara James

Cristian Hall

Matthew Hernon

Jordan Knight

Ying Yu Guan

Jianquiang Li

Charlestown High School Seniors

Shreece Jones

Sara Hernandez Vasquez

Juliio Ruizflores

Trevon Jordan

Angel Maldonado

Jian Liang Mai

Jian Lin

Peter Zelidis

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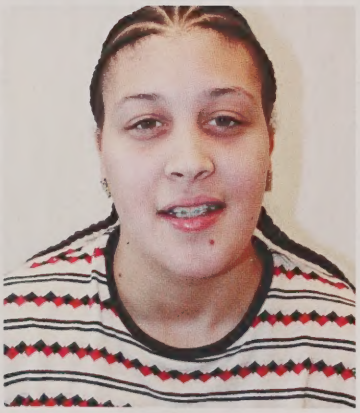
Michael Pearson Jr.

Christopher Turner

Ashly Eyma

Keila Darosa



Liuchan Mai

Ketleen Akinkuoye

Satajah Gadson

Christian Casimir

Yuyi Li

Ariana Crowleytorres

Kerly Stjilus

Jhonny Bruno

Joyce Gomes

Danieza Dasilva Cardoso

Junjie Jian

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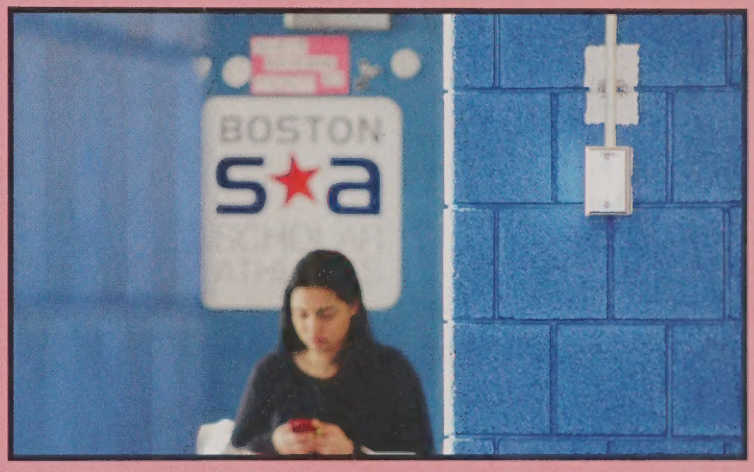
Shunxiang Guan

Merline Fleurime

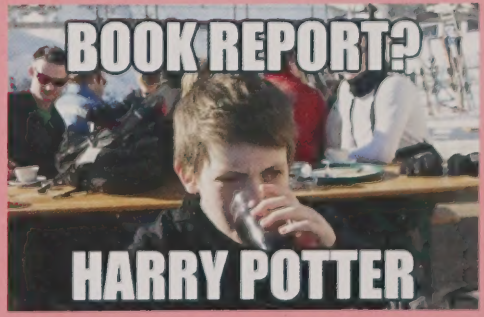
Craig Cromartie



In bed, it's 6AM you close your eyes for 5 minutes, it's 7:45. At school it's 1:30, close your eyes for 5 minutes, it's 1:31.

Relatable Post #926

SCHOOL: 2 + 2 = 4.
HOMEWORK: 2 + 4 + 2 = 8.
EXAM: Omar has 4 apples, his train is 7 minutes early, calculate the mass of the sun.



Brittany Paul

Ding Hui Huang

Nina Nguyen

Seniors

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Xiuai Li

Cyrine Kennedy

Shangyi Guo

Yigang Chen

Eduardo Fontes Jr.

Ze Wei Dai

Khalid Ahmed

Luzmiris Blanco

Huan Rong Chen

Koraima Baez

Minting Chen

Jacara Bell

"If opportunity doesn't knock, build a door."

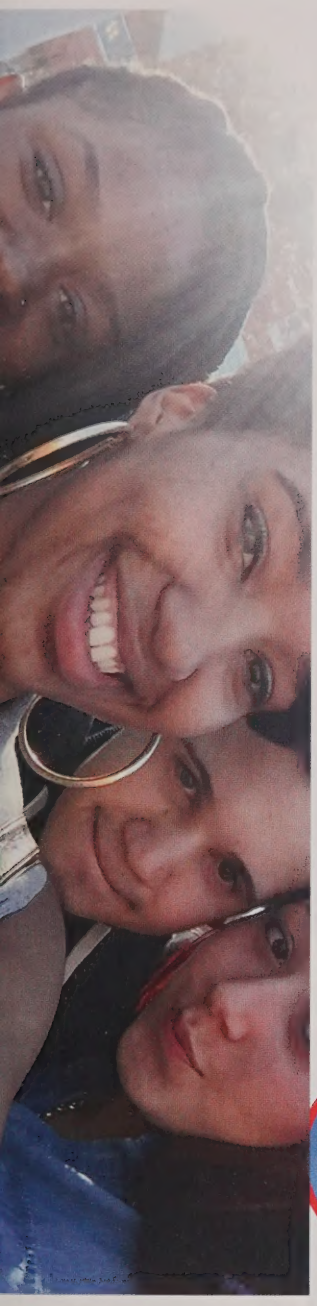
-Milton Berle

Zhiming Chen

Kiara Chavarria

Barbara Bejko

Daniela Del Carmen More



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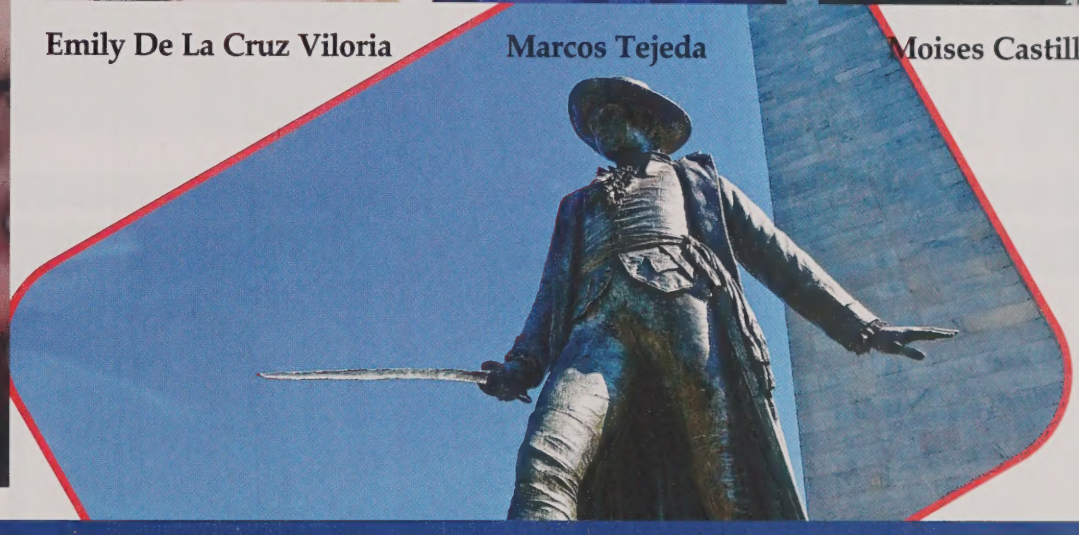
Moises Castillo



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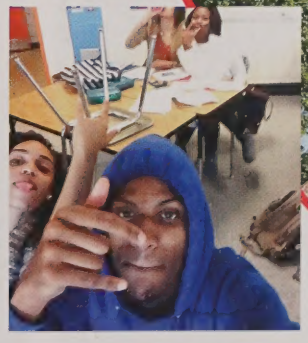

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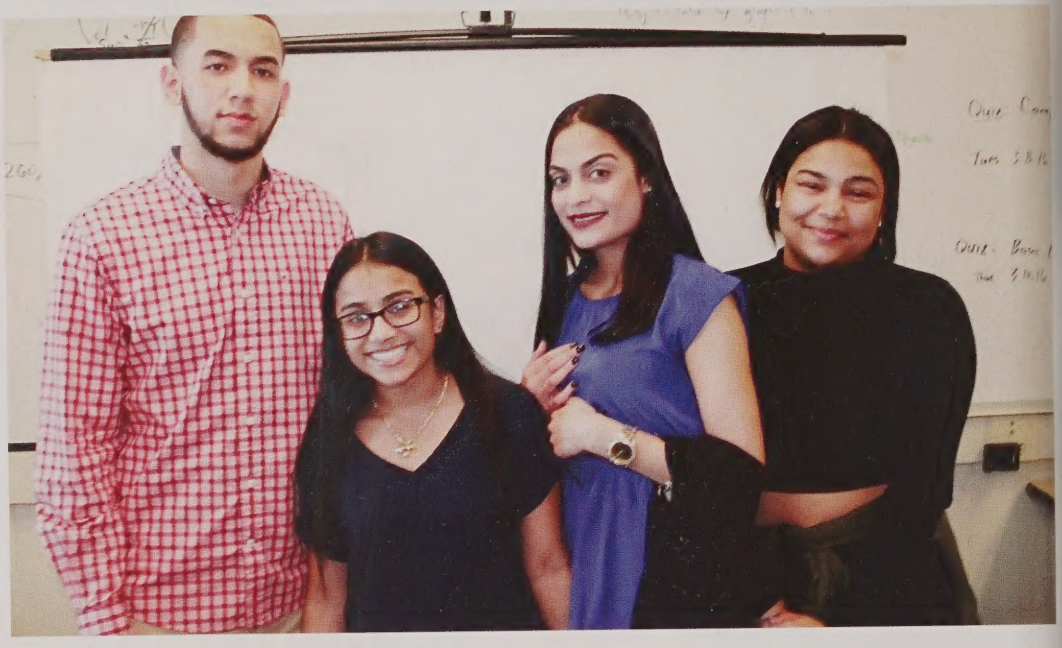
"Don't wait for extraordinary opportunities. Seize common occasions and make them great."

-Orison Swett Marden



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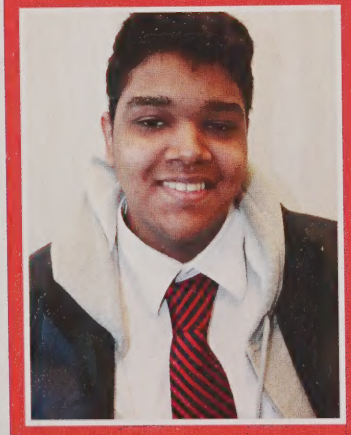
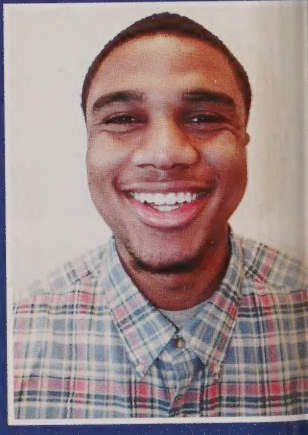


Brian Askew

Dan Ru Chen



Deron Agyapong

Senior Class Charlestown High School

Selena Rizzo

Joshua Rosa

Keisha Fertil

Eury Tejada

Bryonnah Griffiths

Yeuri Valazquez

Anthony Frias

Alexa Bouman

SENIORS 2016

Maria Roche

Neishalys Gonzalez

Michael Rodriguez

Keith Boutwell Jr.

Jameeka Sulph

Ariagnna Suazo

Sabrina Castro

Dianny Rodriguez Ventura

SENIORS 2016

Brandy Rosario

Shu Yu Situ

Nga Thi Hang Thai

Yin Tao

Manny Tavarez

Erika Santana

Yasmin Sosa

Abdirahman Salah

SENIORS 2016

Sadik Williams

Lorena Paulino De La Cruz

Weihui Zhao

Ivaneza Serret Pena

Jia Jun Yu

Molly Tran

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Yasmira Matos Pimentel

Fabrice Pierre

Wendell Morris Jr.

Iliana Medina

Alexandra Pizarro

Kewan Platt

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Marvin Mendoza

Angee Molina Layos

Edugeissy Mejia

Jiecheng Mei

William Ramos

Tyler Ramnarain

Suidan Ma

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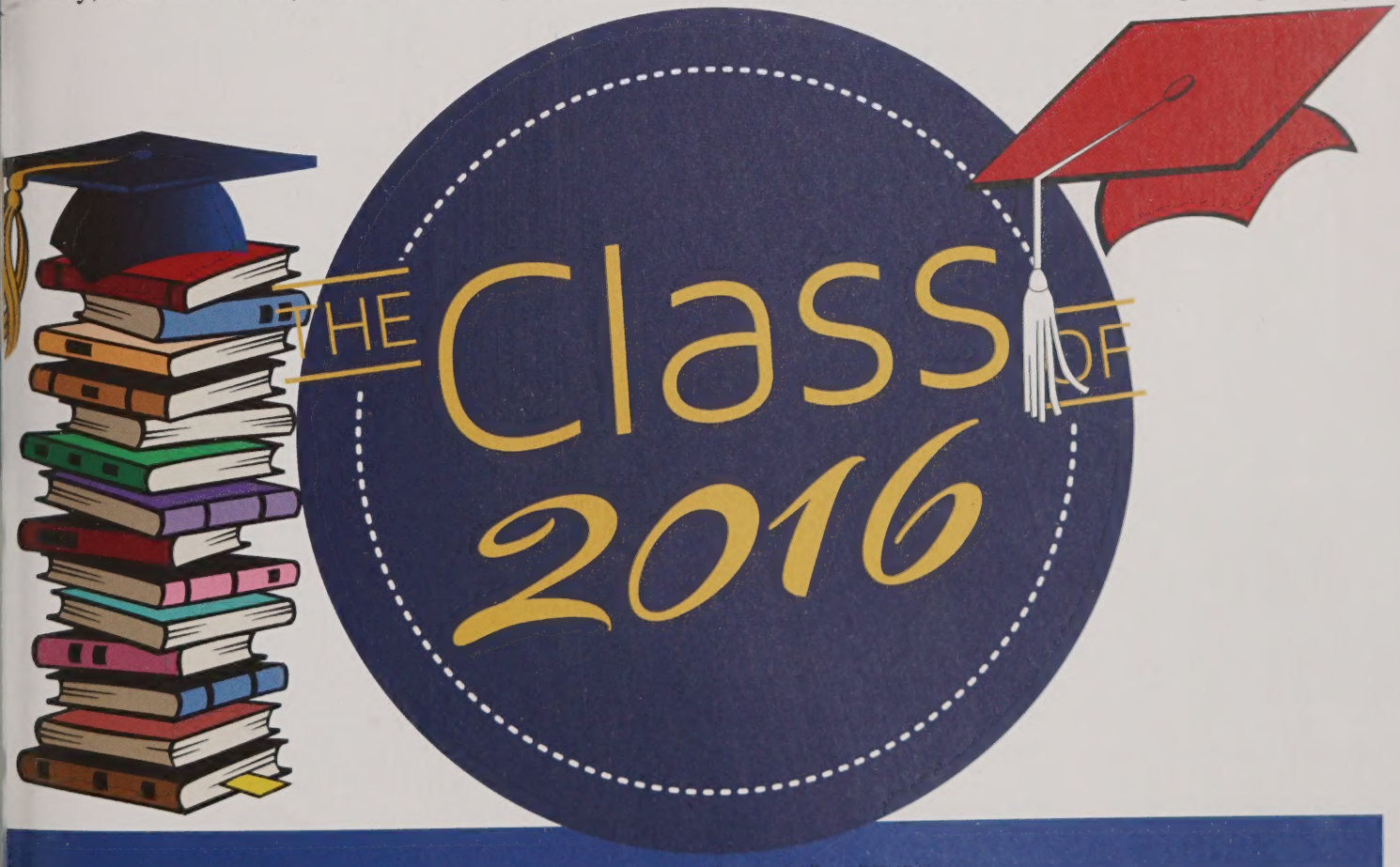
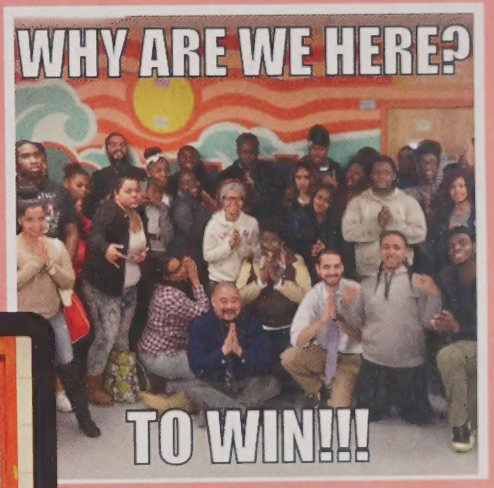


Cafeteria Crew

Your delicious breakfast and lunches graciously prepared by our delightful Lunch Ladies: Seated: Cissy Greatorex, Linda Buhay, and Peggie Lynch. Standing: Debbie Brennan, Diane Hayes, Julia Urbie, and Amantina Moya

MISSION STATEMENT

To graduate students who can COMPETE in academically and professionally rigorous settings beyond high school, REGARDLESS of their prior academic performance.



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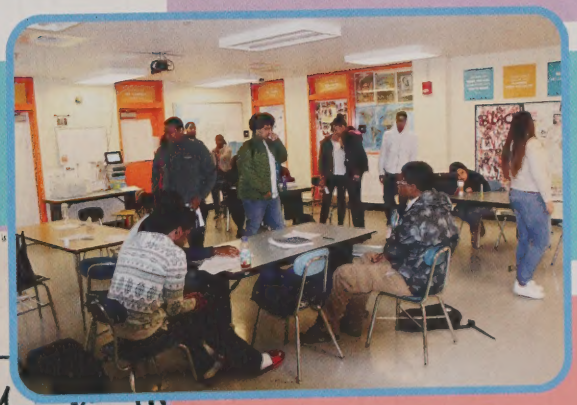

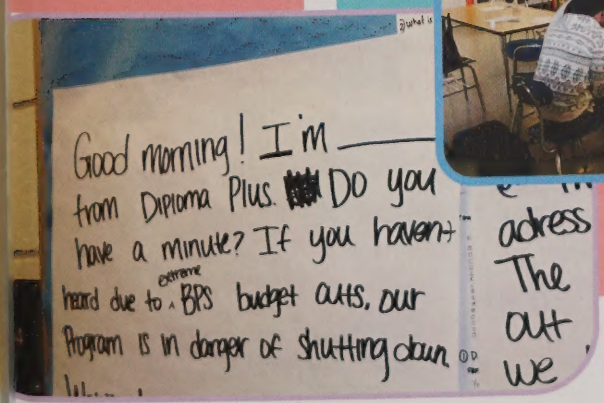

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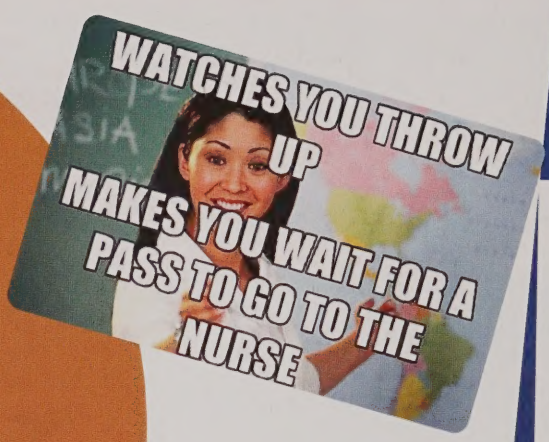
School Health Center



School Nurse, Jennifer Vargas

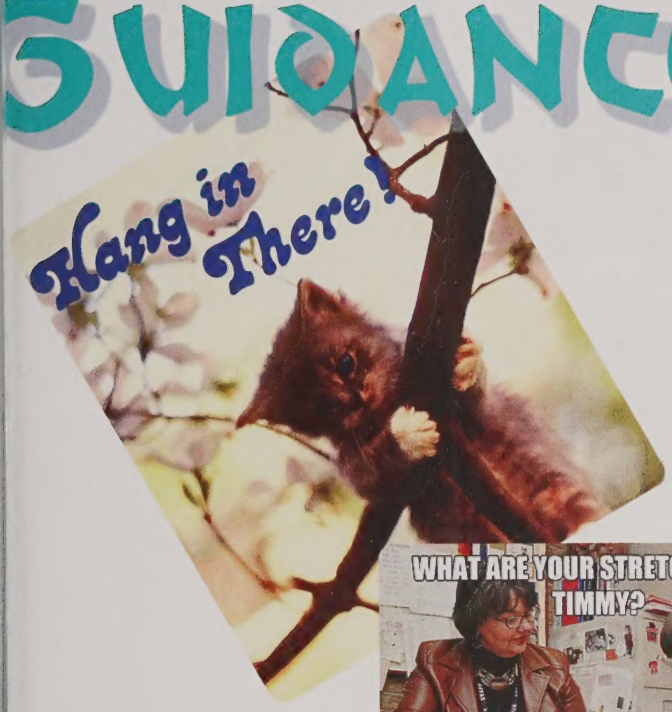
Health Center Secretary, Yvonne Nguyen

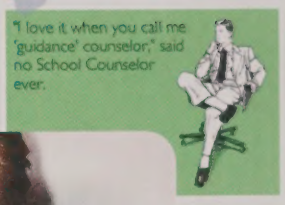
Cerifited Nurse Practitioner, Katherine Rork

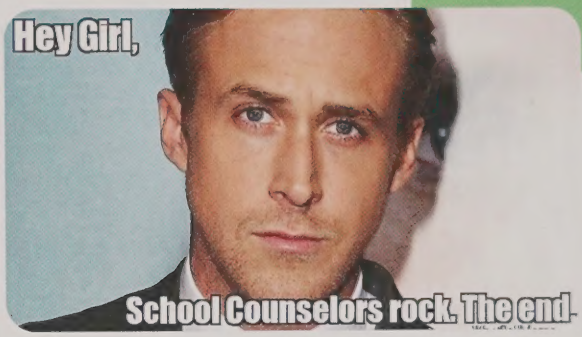
Natali Cabrera, Certified Nurse Practitioner

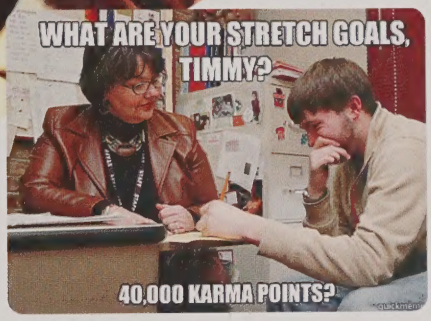
Bianka Racinos, Health Educator

Guidance Team









Ms. Campbell, Ms. Hughes, Ms. Harrington, Ms. Borr, Ms. Roter, Mr. Altman, Ms. Teneus, and Ms. Chan

Adminstrative Team

Operations Team

Safety Team

Left Side: Mr. Thomas, Ms. Hall, Ms. Delahanty, Ms. Winsor, Mr. TC

Right Side: Mr. Pai, Ms. Koehler, Ms. Hodgkins, Ms. Roter

Left Side: Mr. Thomas, Ms. Abdal-Khallaq, Ms. Winsor, Mr. TC, Ms. Koehler, and Mr. Pai

Right Side: Ms. Roter, Ms. Parker, and Ms. Hodgkins

Back row: Sgt. Wright, Mr. Rizzo, Mr. Searcy, Ms. Ventura, Mr. Washington, Ms. Saridis, Ms. Small, and Mr. Goncalves

Front row: Ms. Bailey, Ms. Morales, and Ms. Roter

Student Support Partners

Left Side: Ellen Landrum, Noelle Roop, and Nancy Young
Right Side: Bianka Recinos, Besty Roter, and Lita Bailey

Townies

Charlestown

Clubs | Academics | People

Office Secretaries

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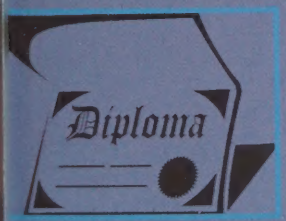
Registrar's Office

Elizabeth Llorreca & Meghan Harrington
(Missing: Kathleen Grzelcyk & Peter Law)

Student Life

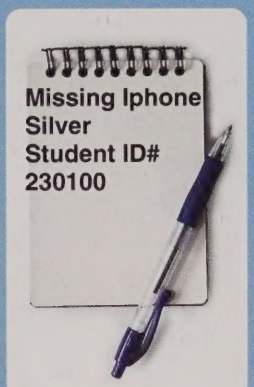
Sports



CHARACTER HUMANITARIANISM SCHOLARSHIP

Boston School Police

Room 435



School Police Officers

School Police Officers perform the duties under the general guidelines of the Boston City Police at school sites throughout the City.

Officer Lunnin

Sgt. Wright

Officer Thomas

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ACADEMY

CASE

Back Row: Ms. Koehler, Mr. Grimes, Ms. Muzykewicz, Mr. Connolly, Mr. Washington, Mr. Kearney
Front Row: Ms. Brett, Ms. Perez, Ms. Baccus, and Ms. Borr

SKILL

Back Row: Mr. Ayyappan, Ms. Alli, Mr. Goncalves, Mr. Altman, Mr.. ll. Mr. Katzman
Front Row: Ms. McCarthy, Ms. Green, Ms. Watson, Ms. Camacho, Ms.Hutchens, Ms. Borr, and Ms. Abdal-Khallaq

Mr. Washington's

Alpha Esquire

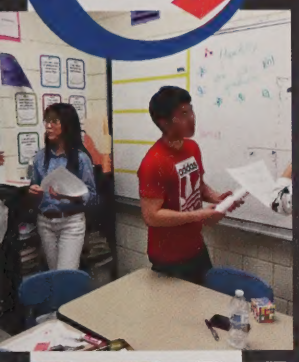
Community Service & Boys' Group

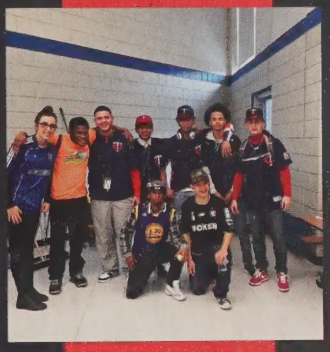
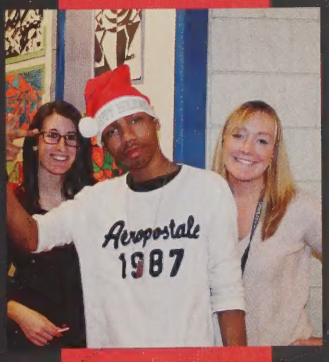
Upper School Academy

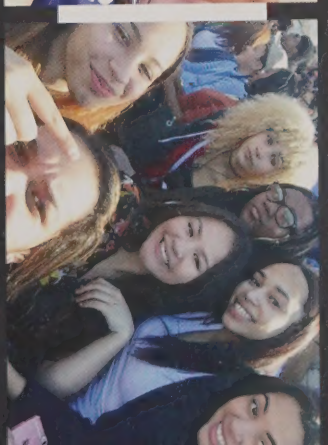
Back Row: Ms. Jordan, Mr. Frost, Mr. Soares, Mr. Ng, Ms. Ventura, Mr. Mahegan, and Ms. Hughes
Front Row: Ms. Romero, Ms. Parker, Ms. Soucy, Ms. Piacitelli, Ms. Messmer, Ms. Brown, and Mr. Ortega

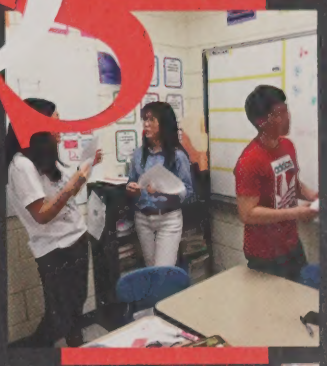
Back Row: Ms. Zhang, Ms. Li, Ms. Chan, Ms. Castillejo, Ms. Yamatin, Mr. Ramirez, Mr. Jin, Mr. Lee, Mr. Savoie, and Ms. Marks,
Front Row: Mr. Day, Ms. Griglun, Ms. Saridis, Mr. Benaoui, Ms. Smith, Ms. Burns, and Ms. Liu

CANDIDS







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MY STORY

Best Friends: _____

Favorite Memory: _____

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Favorite School Activity: _____

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Favorite Teacher and Class: _____

Favorite Song: _____

Favorite TV Show: _____

Favorite Movie: _____

Favorite App: _____

Most Embarrassing Moment: _____

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Future (Where I see myself in five years): _____

Favorite Quote or Motto:

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I am a proud member of the 2016 Charlestown High School Senior Class

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Open the app, search for JostensWorldBeat, and select "Follow."

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MUSIC

1. NOT BAD
Taylor Swift's "Bad Blood" video, with an all-star cast of actresses and models, wins the VMA Music Video of the Year award.

2. A DIFFERENT DIRECTION
One Direction releases its sixth album, *Made In The A.M.*, and announces an extended break.

3. TRUE PURPOSE
Justin Bieber releases his fourth studio album, *Purpose*, which impresses even non-Beliebers.

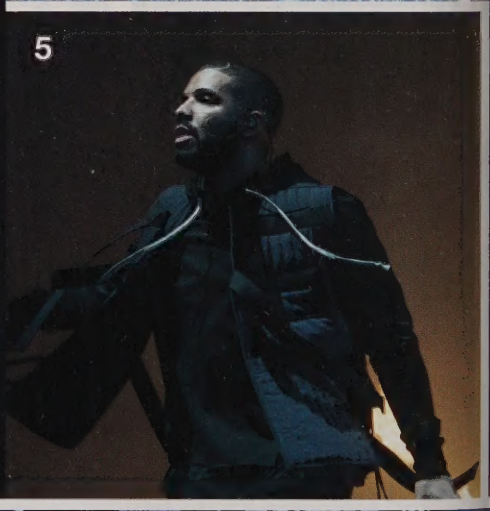
4. FRIENDS IN HIGH PLACES
The Weeknd's *Beauty Behind the Madness* album features duets with Ed Sheeran and Lana Del Rey.

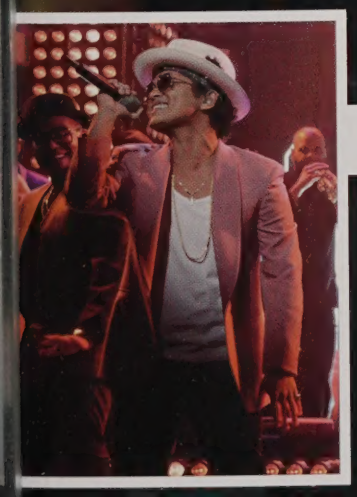
5. NOT TOO LATE
Drake delights fans and critics with his acclaimed album *If You're Reading This It's Too Late*.

6. WOMEN ON TOP
Katy Perry and Taylor Swift top the Forbes list of top-earning women in music.

7. CRUSHED IT
Little Big Town's "Girl Crush" wins Single of the Year and Song of the Year at the Country Music Awards.

8. WISTFUL HELLO
Adele releases "Hello," the first hit single from her much-awaited album *25*.





TOP SONGS OF 2015

1. *Uptown Funk!* – Mark Ronson featuring Bruno Mars
2. *Thinking Out Loud* – Ed Sheeran
3. *See You Again* – Wiz Khalifa featuring Charlie Puth
4. *Trap Queen* – Fetty Wap
5. *Sugar* – Maroon 5
6. *Shut Up And Dance* – Walk the Moon
7. *Blank Space* – Taylor Swift
8. *Watch Me* – Silento
9. *Earned It* – The Weeknd
10. *The Hills* – The Weeknd

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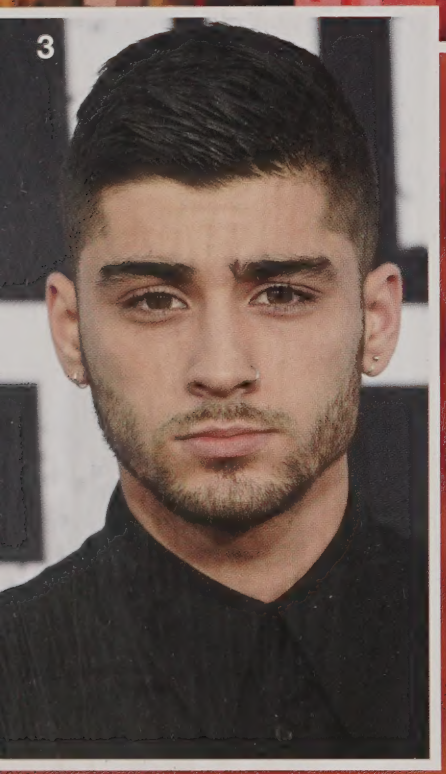
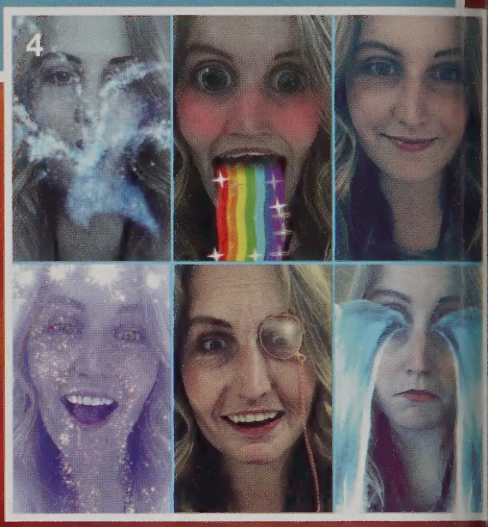




SOCIAL MEDIA

1. MINECRAFT

Minecraft: Pocket Edition, enabling users to build their own imaginative worlds, comes in on top for most downloaded game app.

2. LIFE IS A STREAM

Users broadcast their videos in real time with Periscope, the popular new live streaming app. Apple names it the iPhone® app of the year.

3. BOY BAND BEEF

One Direction fans are even more heartbroken when Zayn Malik launches a Twitter feud with his former band mates.

4. SELFIES 2.0

Snapchat launches Lenses, a suite of zany, animated special effects you can layer over your face.

5. CASH FOR CLANS

The small cost for exponentially increasing your ability to defend and combat opposing bases wins out over the wallet in the mobile app game, Clash of Clans. This top grossing app raked in an incredible $1.56 million per day from users dolling out real cash to develop virtual troops.

6. SILENT PROTEST

Taylor Swift refuses to put her *1989* album on Spotify and removes her older releases from the streaming service.

7. SNAPCHAT SURGES

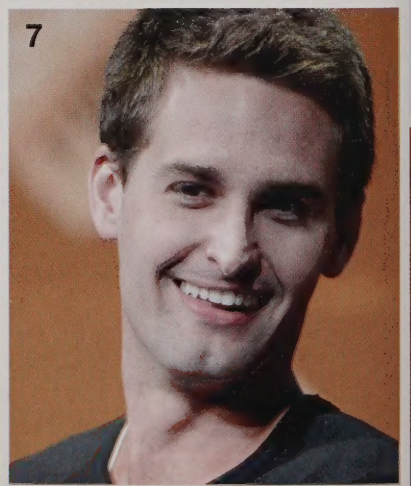
Evan Spiegel, then-23-year-old CEO of Snapchat, turned down a multi-billion dollar offer from Facebook. Now, usage reports hoist Snapchat second at 6 billion views per day to Facebook's 8 billion.

8. THE BILLION VIEW CLUB

One billion YouTube views, once rare, are becoming increasingly common. Wiz Khalifa's "See You Again" is the tenth and latest member of the club.

9. #THEDRESS

Is it blue and black or white and gold? Variations in human color perception go viral as a photo of a dress on Tumblr prompts heated debate. A BuzzFeed article about the dress attracts 37 million hits.



FOLLOW THE LEADERS

Katy Perry is the most-followed celebrity on Twitter.

1. Katy Perry
2. Justin Bieber
3. Taylor Swift
4. Barack Obama
5. YouTube
6. Rihanna
7. Lady Gaga
8. Justin Timberlake
9. Ellen DeGeneres
10. Twitter

http://www.clickz.com/uk/2015/10/30/30-essential-twitter-statistics-for-advertisers

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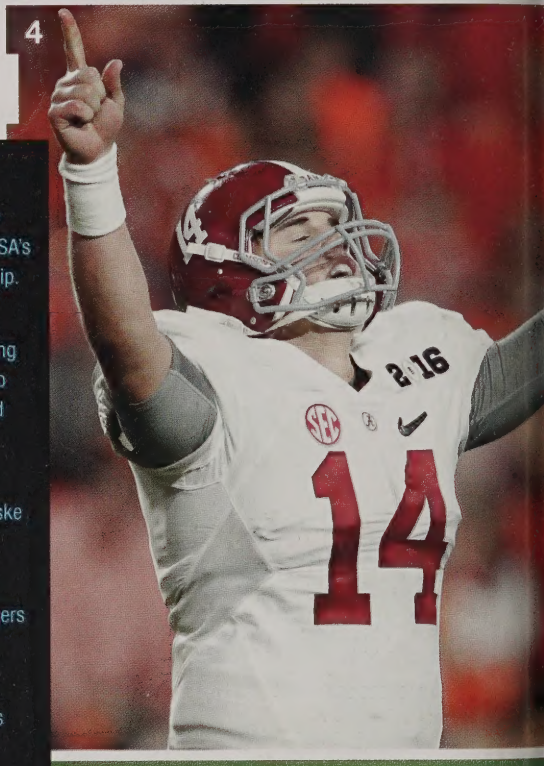


1. ABBY HANGS UP HER CLEATS

The world's leading scorer and captain of USA women's soccer team, Abby Wambach, announced her retirement following Team USA's triumphant win against Japan (5-2) in the World Cup championship.

2. LITTLE LEAGUE, BIG WIN

Japan wins 2015 Little League Baseball World Series by defeating Mid-Atlantic in an astounding six innings. Shingo Tomita hit two opportune homers in the second and third innings that boosted his team toward their 18-11 run win.

3. DAYTONA SURPRISE

With his surprise Daytona 500 victory, Joey Logano of Team Penske grabs a spot in the chase for the NASCAR Sprint Cup.

4. DIVISION ONE DOMINANCE

University of Alabama Crimson Tide defeats Clemson University Tigers 45 to 40 in the NCAA FBS National Championship game.

5. UFC UPSET

The #RouseyRevolution of MMA superstar Ronda Rousey takes an unexpected detour with a knockout from Holly Holm.

6. SERENA THE GREAT

After winning 3 of 4 Grand Slam tournaments in 2015, Serena Williams was named as the Associated Press Female Athlete of the Year for the fourth time.

7. SUPER SHOWDOWN

Football fans sat captivated as the Denver Broncos defeated the Carolina Panthers 24 to 10 in the NFL Championship game at Levi's Stadium in San Francisco.

8. WARRIORS WIN

The Golden State Warriors end their 40-year championship drought by defeating the Cleveland Cavaliers to win the NBA Championship.

9. THE CUP COMES BACK

The Chicago Blackhawks defeat the Tampa Bay Lightning to win their sixth Stanley Cup Championship.

10. ROYALS REIGN

Kansas City fans go wild when the Royals defeat the New York Mets four games to one to win the MLB World Series.

2015 GOLD GLOVE AWARD WINNERS

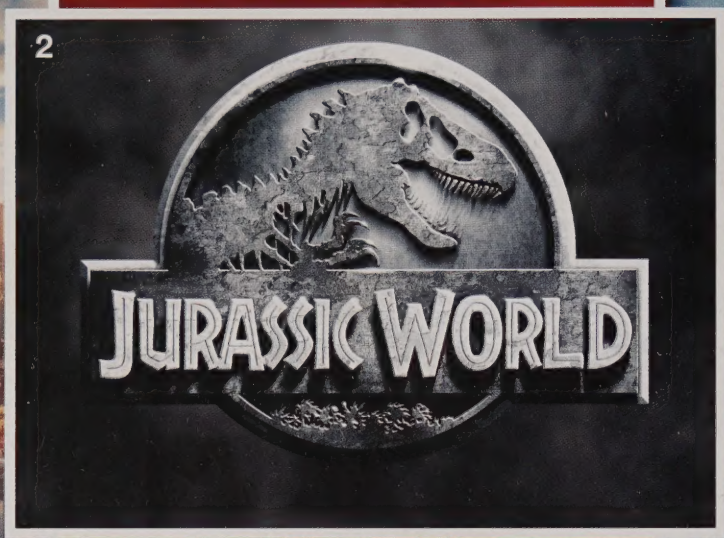
POSITION	AL WINNER	TEAM	POSITION	NL WINNER	TEAM
P	Dallas Keuchel	HOU	P	Zack Greinke	LAD
C	Salvador Pérez	KCR	C	Yadier Molina	STL
1B	Eric Hosmer	KCR	1B	Paul Goldschmidt	ARI
2B	Jose Altuve	HOU	2B	Dee Gordon	MIA
3B	Manny Machado	BAL	3B	Nolan Arenado	COL
SS	Alcides Escobar	KCR	SS	Brandon Crawford	SF
LF	Yoenis Cespedes	DET	LF	Starling Marte	PIT
CF	Kevin Kiermaier	TB	CF	AJ Pollock	ARI
RF	Kole Calhoun	LAA	RF	Jason Heyward	STL

TOP 5

HIGHEST PAID ATHLETES OF 2015

1. Floyd Mayweather, Jr.
2. Manny Pacquiao
3. Cristiano Ronaldo
4. Lionel Messi
5. Roger Federer

http://www.cheatsheet.com/sports/the-7-highest-paid-athletes-in-2015.html/?a=viewall



MOVIES

1. BEYOND THE WALL
Shailene Woodley returns as Tris Prior in the film adaptation of *The Divergent Series: Insurgent*.

2. A MONSTER HIT
Chris Pratt and Bryce Dallas Howard star in *Jurassic World*, the fourth movie in the Jurassic Park film series.

3. PRIDE AND JOY
The biopic *Joy* wins a Golden Globe, and so does Jennifer Lawrence for her portrayal of a divorced mom turned millionaire entrepreneur.

4. THE LIBERATION OF PANEM
Katniss Everdeen and her allies return to theaters for their final mission in *The Hunger Games: Mockingjay – Part 2*.

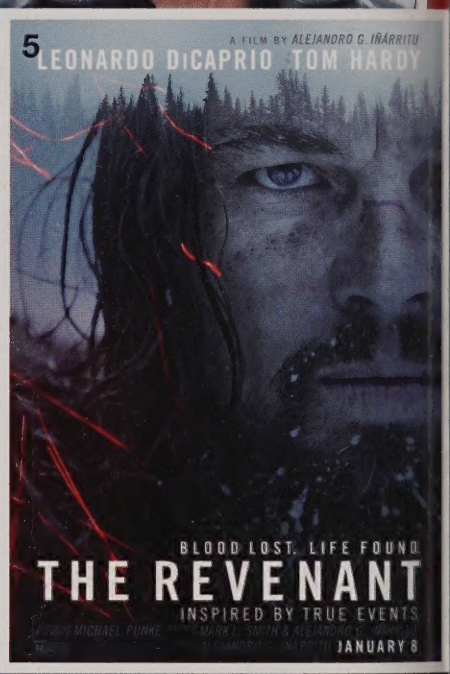
5. WINS IN THE WILDERNESS
The Revenant, a dark frontier drama starring Leonardo DiCaprio, wins numerous awards and a positive approval rating of 81% on Rotten Tomatoes.

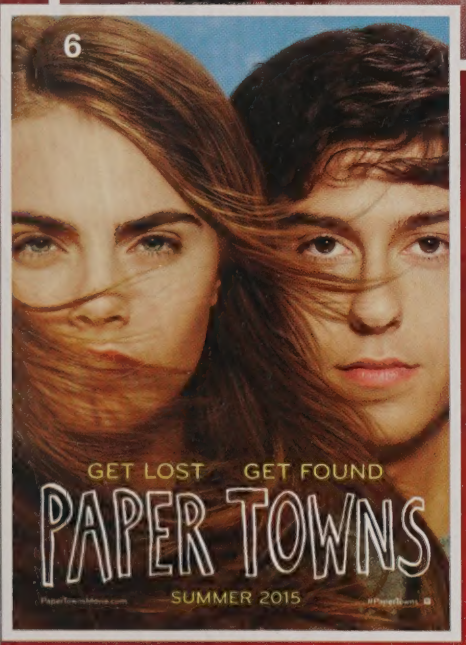
6. LOST AND FOUND
When Margo goes missing, Quentin skips school to find her in *Paper Towns*, the film adaptation of John Green's young adult novel.

7. THE BREAKING POINT
Adventurers attempt to complete eight extreme ordeals in *Point Break*; the drama fails to win over critics but performs well at the box office.

8. *INSIDE OUT*
Riley's emotions are personified in the newest Disney Pixar box office hit. Joy, Fear, Anger, Disgust and Sadness guide Riley through adjusting to her new life in San Francisco.

9. *STAR WARS: THE FORCE AWAKENS*
The new Star Wars film topped *Avatar* to claim the all-time No. 1 spot in North American box offices.



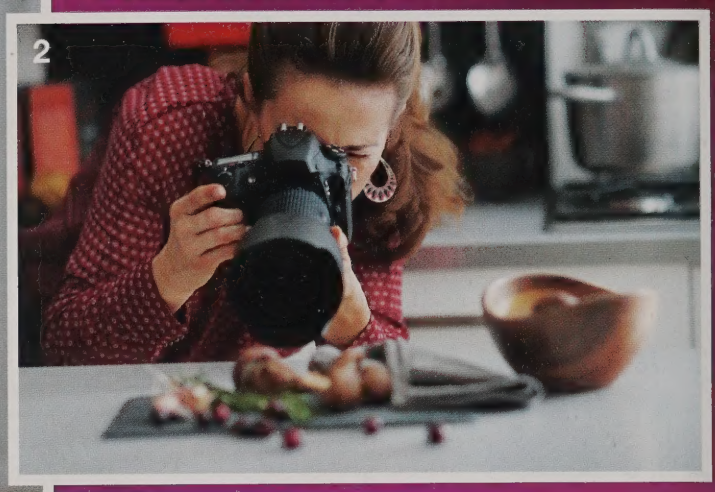


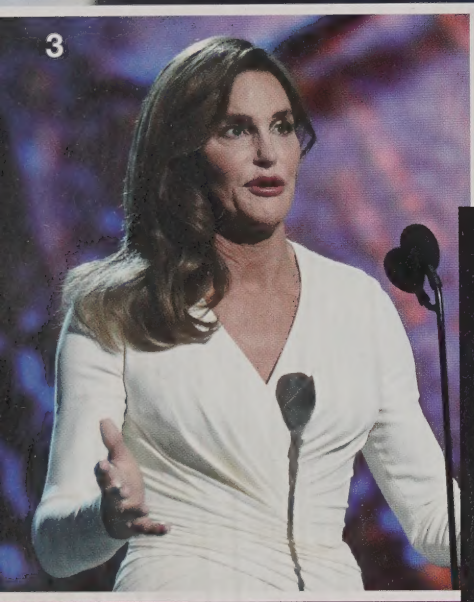
TOP 10

AT THE BOX OFFICE IN 2015

1. *Star Wars: The Force Awakens*
2. *Jurassic World*
3. *Avengers: Age of Ultron*
4. *Inside Out*
5. *Furious 7*
6. *Minions*
7. *The Hunger Games – Part 2*
8. *The Martian*
9. *Cinderella* (2015)
10. *Spectre* (James Bond)

http://www.boxofficemojo.com/yearly/chart/?yr=2015





POP CULTURE

1. 3D PRINTING EVOLVES
Demand for 3D printers climbs as the technology advances to accommodate metals, electronics, pharmaceuticals and biological materials.

2. BLOGGERS MAKE BANK
The most successful fashion and beauty bloggers and vloggers on Instagram can make up to $500,000 per year by offering affiliate links and sponsored content.

3. CAITLYN'S COURAGE
Newly transitioned transgender celebrity Caitlyn Jenner accepts the Arthur Ashe Courage Award at the ESPY Awards.

4. MOST LIKED INSTAGRAM EVER
With more than 2.5 million likes, the image of model and reality TV star Kendall Jenner, with her hair arranged in heart shapes, is the most-liked Instagram photo ever.

5. HEALTHY BUSINESS MODEL
With juice bar sales approaching $100 million a year, the cold-pressed juicing cleanse trend continues as busy, health-conscious consumers seek a shortcut to wellness.

6. THE WORLD'S MOST POWERFUL WOMAN
Time magazine names Germany's Chancellor Angela Merkel its Person of the Year and describes her as "Chancellor of the Free World."

7. KANYE ON THE RUNWAY
Following the success of Kanye West's Yeezy fashion label seasons 1 and 2, he recently debuted his third season at New York Fashion Week.

8. WASTE NOT
A Manhattan chef creates fine dining from "garbage" ingredients to demonstrate how to prevent food waste. The Federal government declares a national food waste reduction goal of 50% by 2030.

9. THE WATCHWORLD IS WEARABLE
Although sales of $1.7 billion are modest compared to the iPhone®, the Apple Watch® ushers wearable tech into the consumer market.

TOP 10 GOOGLE SEARCHES OF 2015

1. Paris Under Attack
2. Adele's Year
3. Oscars 2015
4. Caitlyn Jenner
5. Election of 2016
6. Mayweather vs. Pacquiao
7. Black Lives Matter
8. Guns in America
9. Royals Win World Series
10. A New Era in Late Night TV

https://www.google.com/trends/story/2015_US

HEADLINES

1. SYRIAN CRISIS
Continuing civil war in Syria results in more than 11 million refugees; more than 220,000 have died since the conflict began.

2. SAME-SEX MARRIAGE
In a 5-4 decision, the Supreme Court rules that same-sex marriage is legal in all 50 states.

3. TERRORISTS ATTACK PARIS
ISIS terrorists launch coordinated attacks targeting a soccer stadium, a rock concert and several restaurants in the French capital; 130 people perish.

4. PRE-PRIMARY
Candidates for 2016 Presidential Election Hillary Clinton and Bernie Sanders battle to be the Democrats' nominee. Donald Trump and Ben Carson were early frontrunners in the GOP race.

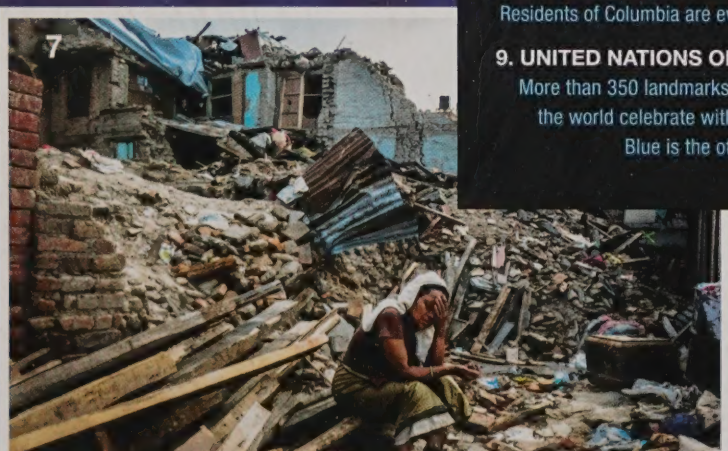
5. THE POPE COMES TO AMERICA
During his stay Pope Francis spoke to Congress, visited the White House, and dined with the homeless in Washington D.C.

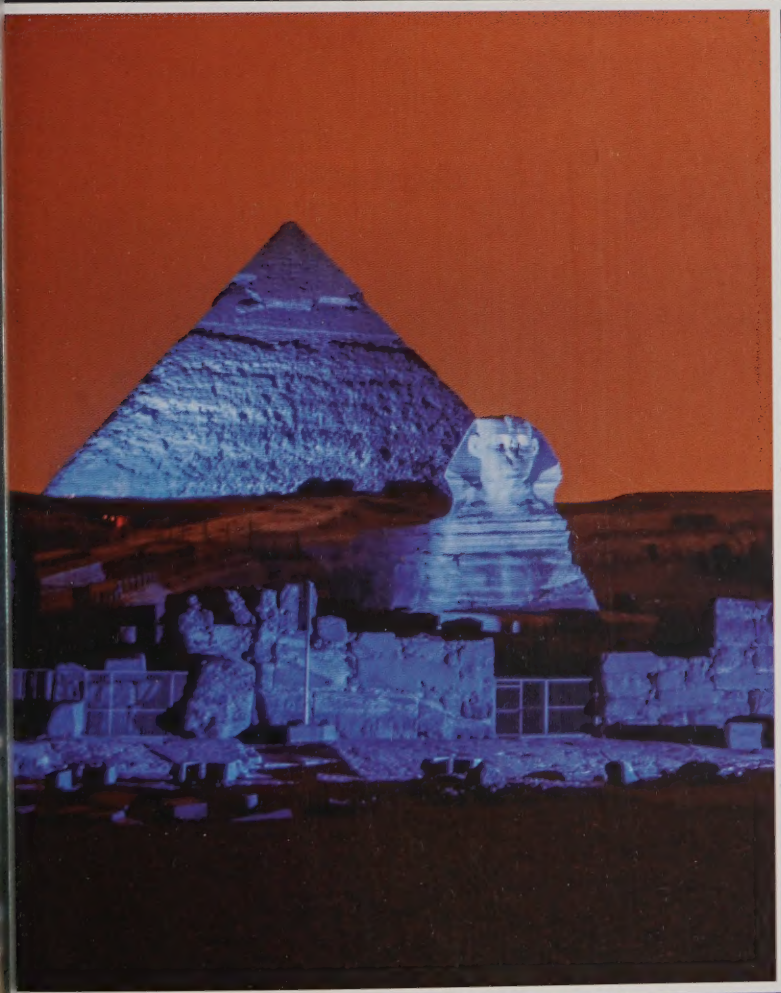
6. APPLE ADVANCES
The new iPhone® 6s features more durable aluminum construction, a rose gold color option, 3D Touch access to apps and a 12MP camera.

7. NEPAL EARTHQUAKE
A magnitude 7.8 earthquake in Nepal rocks villages, damages structures and kills at least 5,000.

8. SOUTH CAROLINA DELUGE
Record-breaking rainfall amounts of up to 24 inches cause catastrophic flooding in the central and eastern regions of the state. Residents of Columbia are evacuated as the Overcreek Dam fails.

9. UNITED NATIONS OBSERVE 70TH ANNIVERSARY
More than 350 landmarks in more than 80 countries around the world celebrate with brilliant displays of blue lights. Blue is the official color of the UN.





MOST POWERFUL PEOPLE

ACCORDING TO FORBES IN 2015

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1. Vladimir Putin, 63
2. Angela Merkel, 61
3. Barack Obama, 54
4. Pope Francis, 79
5. Xi Jingping, 62
6. Bill Gates, 60
7. Janet Yellen, 69
8. David Cameron, 49
9. Narendra Modi, 65
10. Larry Page, 42

TV/GAMING

1. *SCREAM QUEENS*
A serial killer called the Red Devil menaces the sorority sisters of Kappa Kappa Tau in the debut season of the Fox network's horror comedy.

2. *PRETTY LITTLE LIARS*
The Liars escape the dollhouse and secret identities are revealed in Season 6 of the ABC Family network drama.

3. *AMERICAN HORROR STORY: HOTEL*
Lady Gaga stars as The Countess in Season 5 of the FX horror series, set in a haunted Los Angeles hotel.

4. *ORANGE IS THE NEW BLACK*
Netflix commits to a fourth season of the binge-worthy drama series, set in a women's prison.

5. *AMERICA'S NEXT TOP MODEL: GUYS & GIRLS*
The judges choose Nyle DiMarco and Mamé Adjei as winners in Cycle 22 of the final season of the CW reality show.

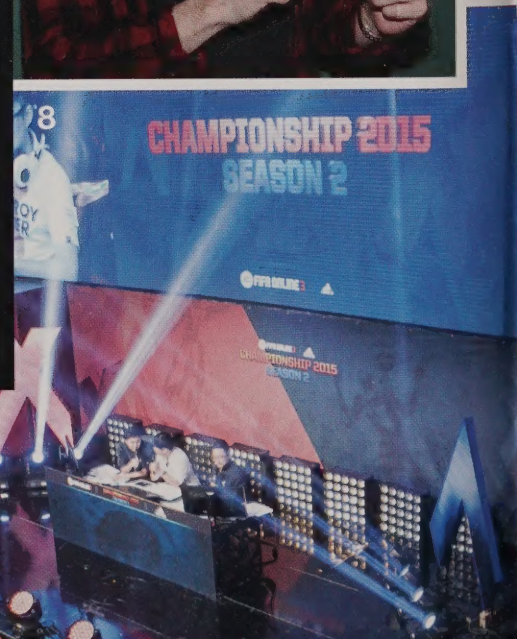
6. TOP-RANKED YOUTUBE GAMERS
With more than 10 billion video views, Swedish gamer PewDiePie tops the leaderboard of most popular YouTube channels.

7. NEW GAME, NEW STAR
Rory McIlroy succeeds Tiger Woods as the new face of EA Sports' PGA Tour golf game.

8. eSPORTS ARE BRINGING IN BILLIONS
With larger audiences and bigger prize pools, eGaming tournaments rival traditional sports events.

9. ESPN LEADS IN ALL-TIME CABLE RATINGS
ESPN is the most-watched cable network, even during presidential debates and news stories; the network holds the record for the top 20 most-viewed programs in cable TV history.

10. CALL OF DUTY: BLACK OPS III
The first-person shooter is set in the year 2065 and features zombie storylines, robotic drones and a team of soldiers with cybernetic enhancements.



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MULTIPLAYER
ZOMBIES
PLAY LOCAL
STORE
You are Party Leader
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LEGO BRANDS

1. LEGO IS LIFE

Life Lego was named Forbes Most Powerful Brand of 2015 after debuting their new *Lego Marvel's Avengers* and *Lego Jurassic World* toys.

TOP 10 MOST VALUABLE BRANDS IN 2015

1. Apple, $145.3 billion
2. Microsoft, $69.3 billion
3. Google, $65.6 billion
4. Coca-Cola, $56 billion
5. IBM, $49.8 billion
6. McDonald's, $39.5 billion
7. Samsung, $37.9 billion
8. Toyota, $37.8 billion
9. General Electric (GE), $37.5 billion
10. Facebook, $36.5 billion

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HOW TEENS SPEND MONEY

http://www.businessinsider.com/how-teens-are-spending-money-2015-4

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